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## **United States Consul General Visits Asir Region**

On December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Consul General of the United States of America, Tatiana C. Gfoeller, traveled to Abha and Khamis Misheit in the Asir Region on an official visit. The Consul General met with His Royal Highness Prince Khalid AlFaisal, Governor of the Asir Emirate, and discussed political, commercial, and social issues important to the United States and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Getting a glimpse of the spectacular beauty of the Asir region, Consul General visited Souda Mountain and Raida Reserve following her meeting with the Governor.

Meeting with Asir residents in and around Abha and Khamis Misheit at the Bin Humsan Village, Al Miftah Village for Beaux Arts, and Tuesday Market, the Consul General was impressed by the talent, creativity, and kindness of the people of Asir. In meetings at the Women's Employment Center and the Abha Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Consul General was reminded of the economic importance of the Asir region to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. As always in her interaction with the diverse people of the Kingdom, Consul General noted the contributions that all Saudis, male and female, are making to the Kingdom progress and development. The consul General looks forward to her future trips to this beautiful and rich region.